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PRESIDENT: We will now take up Constitutional amendment 817. Chair recognizes Senator Syas, for what purpose do you rise.

SENATOR SYAS: I think that it is wise and fair since this bill was a Constitutional amendment and needs 40 votes to go on the spring ballot and by the absentee of the introducer and others, I don't think that it has got a chance under present conditions and I think personally that the introducer should at least have a chance on a bill as important as this one to vote on his own bill. I think in all fairness, and he hasn't asked me to do anything, but I think that we should hold it over until tomorrow on Final Reading.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: I was going to tell Senator Syas that I have a kill motion on the bill and that I was going to do the same thing. I was going to ask that Senator Cavanaugh be here when we discussed it.

SENATOR SYAS: Well does a kill motion....

SENATOR BARNETT: Kill motion Senator Luedtke, yes a kill motion, you heard me.

SENATOR SYAS: Does a kill motion be held at this position?

SENATOR BARNETT: Have you ever heard anything like that in your life?

SENATOR SYAS: Just a minute Mr. President, Senator Cavanaugh is here and I would just wish to say to Senator Cavanaugh....I didn't think that it would be fair to take it up in his absence, but now he is here, but there is still a lot of absentee here today and I don't think that he has a chance with....since he needs 40 votes I don't think that he has a chance with so many absent.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Anderson asked to be excused for the day.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Cavanaugh.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: 817? Whats the problem?

PRESIDENT: A Constitutional amendment sir.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Do you have a motion to return it? Is that what were talking about? Well should I move to lay it over? I move to lay it over.

PRESIDENT: There are only four members absent and excused. For what purpose do you rise Senator Barnett?

SENATOR BARNETT: I would like to object to laying it over if he is asking unanimous consent and take it up right now, unless he can move and get the 25 votes to lay it over.